

TRADE, NOT DRINK, LURES YANKEES TO CARIBBEAN PORTS

Vessels to Tropic Islands
Filled with Keen Busi-
ness Men.

OPPORTUNITY IS THERE.

Americans Converting Cold
Weather Playground Into
a Business Arena.

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PORT-AU-PRINCE, Hayti, Feb. 2.—The crowded cabins of the steamers bound out of New York for Caribbean ports are not altogether filled with fugitives made by the Volstead law. It may be true that Cuba's \$5,000 winter tourists chose their cold weather playground because of the attractions of the races and the privilege of taking a drink out from under the chill shadow of a penitentiary.

But in the smoke room forums and along the rail, among the passengers for the latitudes, the Bahamas, Hayti, Jamaica, the French West Indies, the Virgin Islands and Central America, the anticipation of the openly sold stimulants at the other end of the route is a mighty small factor in the amount of discussion as to why tropic seas are so deeply blue, whether the flying fish wriggle their wings, whether the shaded sails of the purple chambered Nautilus has brought him bobbing over the waves and where he is going and why.

The real talk is all of business chances. It is the talk of the sort which one heard on trains going toward the big days of Goldfield and Tonopah, or later, in the Southwest, where the Texas and Oklahoma oil fields were only "concessions" or in the neighborhood, still more lately, of the new gas belt in Pennsylvania.

The rearrangement of after-war commerce, as the confusion settles, has made clear countless opportunities for the man of small capital as well as for big business.

MIDDLE-AGED AMERICAN GETS
A NEW START IN TROPICS.

Only last night the talk of men and dollars brought out the name of J. D. Maxwell, once an extensive real estate operator in New York, who found himself "cleaned out" at forty-five and went to the isthmus to begin over again as a worker for the isthmian Canal Commission at \$30 a month.

In three years he saved enough to start a small commission business on the isthmus for New York houses. Last year he had a respectable bank rating. He left a man in charge of the isthmian business and came to Hayti.

On this ship (though the Colon business man who was telling the story did not then know it) is a clean-cut ex-utility man, six months discharged after duty on the isthmus, who is joining Maxwell here as the first small port salesman. The Panama Railroad Steamship Line, which is speeding up enterprise as a Federal corporation must be establishing a feeder route of small steamers to make the rounds of West Indies ports from Colon. They will fetch and carry for Maxwell and scores of others like him who have begun business with little backing other than their own sound sense and keen observation.

Five at least of the sixty-five passengers are ex-service men. All of them have been on duty at Panama stations. They are not coming back to re-enlist. They are not sleeping walking back to dreams of tropic ease. Left to themselves their talk is the talk of the soldier from the Philippines around the work-scrine woman and some with very, very little accent on lyric music. The tactful listener hears of many strangely diverting traditions—where they found Gladys Pequin's false teeth the day after the armistice; why Gen. Blatchford was unhurt when two sailors of the United States Navy blew up his sleeping porch with dynamite a year ago; and a thousand and one unfinished tales of glorious deeds—about which one may not ask questions lest the narrative become conscious of an audience and grow silent.

EVEN SOLDIER "IRRESPONSIBLES" CAN SEE THE CHANCE.

These same irresponsible-sounding boys, when the traders, bankers, planters, fruit men and travelling salesmen begin their debates, fall quiet and attentive. They frown if anybody interrupts with a story. They want to listen to business men who talk tropic business. Not one of them is uneasy over the prospect of getting a job; those who have not made permanent engagements already have a choice of several employers waiting for them. It is not too much to say that they could all find employment right here on the boat.

One cannot but be impressed with the respect paid to the man with small capital but who also has a definite plan for using it. He is regarded with more real interest than the agent of the great concerns, such as the Goethals-Wilfred-Bord Company of Colon, the branch of the A. S. S. Co., the Hatten-American Sugar Company and the rest.

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Northern Girls at Florida Resorts Find Winter Sport in Aviation



MISS ALICE DELAMAR AND MISS EVANGELINE B. JOHNSON.

Aviation has now become a favorite sport for girls in Florida's winter resorts. The picture shows (left to right) Miss Alice Delamar and Miss Evangeline Brewster Johnson, who have taken up aviation at Palm Beach and are seen out flying together each morning.

the slightest hesitation in advising him to come to the latitudes with a certainty for all the future. He would manufacture for the Central and South American trade for the working people. His fabrics, from Great Britain, would cost him far less than they cost his United States competitors. Panama exacts but 10 per cent. duty. The Government would at least listen to a plea to permit all duties as an incentive to the establishing of a new business. His labor cost is low; it may go higher in time; the cost of the scale of living of our negro and native labor is not such as to threaten immediate increase. For a market he has all South and Central America and the West Indies—and the cheapest shirt which can be bought down here now wholesale at \$18 a dozen and is so flimsy it falls apart.

"Honest goods, sold within a day or a week of the place where they are to be worn, will sell at a tremendous advantage against goods which must be bought months ahead of the season in the United States or Europe and pay \$10 or more a ton freight charges and interest on time of transportation."

"There are over 2,000,000 negroes in Haiti who wear a jumper and a pair of overalls as their only costume. Who is going to make these things in Haiti? He is one of our coming captains of industry."

Mr. Tracy explained that the banking end of such enterprises will not be regarded as especially difficult. The American Foreign Bank, operated by forty national banks in the United States, is opening branches in every business community down here.

There is one in Port-au-Prince now. There will be one in Santo Domingo in a week. These branch banks are in charge of men who know South American methods of finance and how to adapt their work to local conditions. The Royal Bank of Canada has been doing the same thing, substantially, since the Spanish-American war. The National City Bank is back of the Bank of Haiti. They are all looking for the business to come, all seeking to make it come and to develop good will when the business man is no longer the small business man.

Everything that the Smoke Room Council has said along this trend was endorsed by Edward P. Sine, formerly United States receiver of all revenues on the isthmus and now one of the experts on tropic trade and finance of the Foreign American.

High Class Sport for the Business Man.

But it was not Mr. Sine's discourses on banks and credit terms that the most attentive ear. Sometimes it was possible to get him to talk fishing. Tales of catching a large fish and a half foot tarpon in the Gatun Lake at the top level of the canal, using an 18-thread line and a 21-ounce rod—casting a fly for tarpon! Tales of papagayo, the red snapper, the barracouta and the rest of the big game fish—not as the object of a week's exploration with launch and costly paraphernalia and guides, but no farther away from one's office than the Dreamland Pier or the City Island docks from the New Yorker's skyscraper—and with what a difference!

And to return to business and prohibition. There is no dry law in eight south of Florida. There are many skillful brewers out of work for themselves and their capital in the United States.

Is the Balboa brewery at Panama to continue to be the only competitor of the Goethals-Wilfred-Bord Company of Colon, the branch of the A. S. S. Co., the Hatten-American Sugar Company and the rest?

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Court Halts Proceedings to
Conduct Inquiry Into Disap-
pearance of Document.

Additional mystery regarding the disappearance from the files of the Mayor's Committee on Rent Profit-sharing of a lease H. Kannensohn, owner of property at Nos. 115 to 119 East 104th street, came to light today.

Kannensohn is alleged to have signed the leases with his tenants last September and is now attempting to break them. A written complaint to Presiding Justice Aaron J. Levy, charging that Kannensohn is obtaining eviction warrants, resulted in the discovery that the purported lease had disappeared. Justice Levy has halted proceedings against tenants and to-day said he would conduct an investigation to assure all of them their day in court.

Captain Charles A. Goldsmith, who negotiated many agreements between landlords and tenants while Nathan Hirsh was chairman of the committee, said Kannensohn signed a lease with all the tenants in his property and that when he left the committee in December the lease was in the files. Since that time Miss L. Grant has been in charge of the committee's office. She said she had been told by one of Kannensohn's tenants that Captain Goldsmith had given Kannensohn the lease to look over and that it had not been returned. The negotiations are marked "closed." Miss Grant said she knew nothing about the lease.

Capt. Goldsmith confirmed the complaint to Justice Levy regarding the terms of the lease. These provided, he said, for an increase of \$1.50 a month last September and another \$1.50 this month. The complaint charges Kannensohn is troubling the increase.

Justice Levy said, if a lease was executed by Kannensohn and that fact could be proved the loss of the lease would not result against the tenants. Their testimony would be sufficient to make the terms of the lease binding, regardless of whether it had been lost or been stolen, he declared.

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GRAND JURY REPLY TO SMITH TO NAME 3 ON SWANN STAFF

Answer to Governor Asking
For Information About In-
quiry Now Being Framed.

The Extraordinary Grand Jury, according to its foreman, Raymond F. Almirall, will meet to-day to formulate a letter in reply to Gov. Smith's demands that he be informed of the nature of the charges pending before the Grand Jury against members of District Attorney Swann's staff.

Mr. Almirall says in the reply charges will be made against at least three of Mr. Swann's assistants. Mr. Almirall and his conferees believe that Gov. Smith will request Attorney General Newton to take charge of the investigation into the District Attorney's office.

The District Attorney has learned that the Grand Jury has received anonymous letters complaining of the manner in which cases have been handled by his assistants.

The Grand Jury for several months has had charges before it made by Gaston B. Means against Assistant District Attorney Dooling. Means charges that Dooling, because of the influence of the officials of a Chicago life insurance company, inimical to him, had framed a conspiracy to bring about his conviction for the murder of Mrs. King-Robinson.

According to District Attorney Swann, Edwin P. Kilroe, an assistant, is to be investigated because of a complaint that he had failed to bring about the indictment and arrest of the members of a Wall Street concern which he investigated last spring.

The charge that Arnold Rothstein paid \$22,000 for the dismissal of the charges made against him of shooting two policemen in a gambling house raid is another case. Assistant District Attorney Smith has said that he is the assistant referred to.

Assistant District Attorney Pecora says that he understands that former Deputy Attorney General Alfred L. Becker, who was a witness before the Grand Jury complained that Pecora, was using the functions of the prosecutor's office and the Grand Jury illegally in his investigation to ascertain whether crime had been committed in the trial and conviction of Joseph Cohen, for instigating the murder of Barnett Raff.

Another complaint is that one of the deputy assistant district attorneys, during the raids on fake oil stock companies, exploited with a number of relatives a similar company, in which investors were misled.

The grand jury conducting is expected to file early next week at least three indictments charging perjury and subornation of perjury in the Cohen case. The grand jury meets to-night at the home of one of its members to complete this investigation.

ROCKEFELLER WILL FILED.

William Rockefeller Named as Ex-
ecutor of His Wife's Estate.

The will of Mrs. Almira G. Rockefeller, wife of William Rockefeller, No. 623 Fifth Avenue, who died Jan. 17, was filed for probate to-day. All Mrs. Rockefeller's property is bequeathed to her husband, who is named executor. The value of the estate is not given.

William Rockefeller is a brother of John D. Rockefeller and has a son, Percy A. Rockefeller, of No. 22 Madison Avenue, and two daughters, Mrs. Emma Rockefeller McAlpin, of No. 2 East 24th street, and Mrs. Geraldine Rockefeller Dodge, of Madison, N. J.

SEIZE TWO IN FUR THEFT.

Detectives Allege They Were Carrying
Part of \$10,000 Robbery Loot.

Harry Goldstein of No. 147 East 17th street and Harry Glassman of No. 22 Livingston street were detained at the Mercer Street Police Station this morning pending investigation of a \$10,000 fur theft from Lanius Bros., manufacturing furriers, of No. 35 West 25th street.

Detectives Timothy Mahoney, Peter Owens and John Kelly said they saw the two men carrying a bundle into No. 151 East Fourth street, in which were furs later identified by Lanius Bros. Both men denied any part in the robbery.

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NO DANGER EXISTS OF A MILK FAMINE IN NEW YORK CITY

Arrival of Delayed Trains Re-
lieves Situation—Conser-
vation Warning Issued.

Fears of a serious milk shortage vanished to-day, according to J. J. Fitzpatrick, retail sales manager for Borden Farm Products Company.

The New York Central Railroad reported a normal transportation of milk. If the supply is low, an official stated, it is not due to railroad facilities but to the difficulties of farmers in getting the milk to the railroad stations from the farms. Up-State milk trains due in New York Sunday reached here to-day via the West Shore. Trains due last night will arrive this afternoon.

The public was warned, however, to conserve the milk supply. Mr. Fitzpatrick said that 80 per cent. of the company's patrons had been served and that fully 70 per cent. would receive milk to-morrow with a daily increasing percentage.

The Bronx was on a 40 per cent. milk basis to-day with the arrival of several delayed trains.

L. A. Van Bommel, Assistant General Manager of the Sheffield Farms Company, Inc., asserted that approximately 40 per cent. of the normal daily deliveries were made to-day and that the estimate for to-morrow was 30 per cent. Less than 15 per cent. of the usual daily supply reached the receiving station of his company, and while every borough had received some milk the supply had been greatly curtailed. Yonkers received no milk.

Health Commissioner Copeland is planning a survey of the situation to-day with a view of insuring a supply of milk to families with children and to invalids.

The Street Cleaning Department announced to-day that the main arteries of traffic were open and that it is now cleaning the side streets. Meanwhile it appears that the \$2,150,000 appropriation which was voted by the Board of Estimate last Friday, a total of \$2,750,000 for the season, is being expended at a rate close to \$100,000 a day, and that there is a prospect that another appropriation must be asked.

BLAMES LABOR FOR
HIGH CLOTHES COST

Clothiers' Association Secretary
Says Prices Cannot Be Cut
for Two Years.

At the opening of the National Association of Clothiers' convention to-day Secretary Vance explained that orders for next spring, fall and winter already have been placed by retailers at advanced prices. He would make no prediction as to prices after 1922, but asserted a reduction before then was impossible.

Mr. Vance said the high price of clothing should be "placed squarely on the shoulders of labor, where it belongs."

Correct makers voiced a similar complaint when the National Association of Carpet Manufacturers opened its convention to-day. The cost of cotton yarns and labor is out of all proportion, Nelson Gray, Executive Secretary, asserted. Use of carpets has decreased considerably, owing to new styles, Gray said, and women make their carpets wear longer.

MINING INSTITUTE
HONORS HOOVER

Becomes President of American En-
gineering Association—Will
Speak at Banquet To-Night.

Herbert Hoover, this morning became President of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, now holding its 121st annual meeting at the Engineering Building, No. 29 West 29th street. There was no ceremony.

"I thank you for this honor, which I highly esteem," Mr. Hoover said, bowing in a diffident manner.

This afternoon Mr. Hoover presented a plan for the better working of the bituminous coal industry.

This evening, upwards of 1,000 leading engineers of America will attend the Institute's annual banquet at the Waldorf-Astoria. Lawrence Adkies will be toastmaster. President Hoover, Vice President Winchell and Prof. James P. Kemp of Columbia University will speak.

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HELEN A. CARRERE THE BRIDE TO-DAY OF F. K. BARBOUR



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Unique Feature Will Be Two Sets
of Twins, Sisters and Cousins,
as Attendants.

Miss Helen A. Carrere, daughter of Mrs. L. Sidney Carrere, No. 181 East 73d street, was married to-day to Frederick K. Barbour at St. James's Church, Madison Avenue and 71st street. A reception followed at the St. Regis Hotel.

Mrs. Maynard Dickinson and Miss Elizabeth Carrere, twin sisters of the bride, attended her. Thomas Barbour, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. The flower girls were the bride's twin cousins, Ann and Jane Donald.

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WOMAN ADMITS SHE GOT BIG SUMS THROUGH SWINDLE

One Friend Mortgaged Home
to Pay \$5,000 for "Claim"
Against Du Pont Co.

Mrs. Wilma M. Robinson, a handsome dark-eyed divorcee, thirty-one years old, who lives at No. 2034 Grand Concourse, Bronx, pleaded guilty to three indictments charging grand larceny in General Sessions to-day. Judge Wadhams will pass sentence Thursday.

The arrest and conviction of Mrs. Robinson reveal an amazing series of swindles extending over a number of years, in which a large number of persons in Buffalo, Troy and New York, as well as other cities, have suffered.

When arrested Mrs. Robinson made no attempt to conceal her "game." She had asserted to her victims that she had a claim against the L. I. Du Pont Company amounting to \$87,000, and on the strength of this and her good looks and charming manners, has succeeded in "borrowing" sums of money ranging from \$75 to \$5,000.

Two specific charges were made against her. One complainant was Samuel Prince, cashier of Koon's Chop House, at No. 72 West 36th street, who said that he gave Mrs. Robinson \$75 in cash. Charles Howard Potter, of No. 412 West 129th street, asserts she obtained approximately \$1,000 from him.

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RAILROAD WORKERS ROB TANK CAR OF SACRAMENTAL WINE.

Considerable Number Incapacitated
When Tank Load of Grape
Juice Breaks Down.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Feb. 17.—A LARGE tank car of wine, believed to have been consigned from California to Boston for sacramental purposes, was broken into by railroad employees in the West Springfield yards of the Boston and Albany Railroad while held up for repairs yesterday, officials of the road said to-day, and enough of the wine was consumed to incapacitate a considerable number of workmen.

A number of men and women from City Island hurried to the court. All claimed to have been victimized by the prisoner.

The worst sufferer was Miss Alma Short, who told the court that she had met Mrs. Robinson at a social affair, and was so charmed by her that she had mortgaged her City Island home and "bought the claim against the Du Pont Company for \$5,000." When she investigated she was told by officials of the company that Mrs. Robinson had been "working the same game for years."

Jacques Vidal of City Island said that he had cashed three checks amounting to more than \$1,000 for Mrs. Robinson, and all had proved worthless. The Willow Brook Dairy Company, also of City Island had cashed checks which proved bad.

Mrs. Robinson claims to be engaged to the editor of a Buffalo newspaper. A week ago Albert Tracy and his wife, Beanie, with six children were taken from Pawling, N. Y., to the Eastview Hospital at Tarrytown, suffering from the flu. Sunday a baby was born to them and yesterday the baby and its mother and later her two-year-old son died. The father and four other children are still in the hospital. Two of the children being desperately ill. The mother was twenty-eight years old.

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